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21-0000	Community and Social Sevices Occupations	1,390	\$13.15	\$13.20	\$9.56
	Educational, Vocational, and School Counselors	350	\$16.41	\$16.56	\$12.00
	Child, Family, and School Social Workers	360	\$13.21	\$12.76	\$10.05
	Health Educators	20	\$12.42	\$12.31	\$8.77
21-1092	Probation Officers and Correctional Treatment Specialists	80	\$13.39	\$13.14	\$10.66
21-1093	Social and Human Service Assistants	90	\$12.02	\$10.67	\$8.30
21-9099	All Other Counselors, Social and Religious Workers	210	\$11.99	\$11.87	\$8.73
23-0000	Legal Occupations	100	\$22.18	\$16.09	\$14.93
	Lawyers	30	\$24.91	\$17.55	\$8.57
23-9099	All Other Legal and Related Workers	20	\$15.66	\$16.20	\$11.09
25-0000	Education, Training, and Library Occupations	14,670	\$13.52	\$14.47	\$7.03
25-2012	Kindergarten Teachers, Except Special Education	510	\$33,228	\$32,740	\$25,963
	Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education	3,410	\$34,779	\$33,578	\$27,675
	Middle School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education	1,570	\$34,205	\$33,993	\$29,184
	Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education	2,200	\$31,783	\$31,777	\$23,947
	Vocational Education Teachers, Secondary School	530	\$34,348	\$34,190	\$27,608
	Special Education Teachers, Preschool, Kindergarten, and Elementary School Special Education Teachers, Middle School	520 140	\$31,038 \$32,981	\$31,748 \$33,010	\$24,811 \$30,670
	Special Education Teachers, Secondary School	350	\$32,526	\$32,931	\$26,985
	Librarians	360	\$16.61	\$17.15	\$11.78
	Teacher Assistants	2,270	\$14,308	\$13,765	\$12,523
27-0000	Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations	1,030	\$14.35	\$13.54	\$7.16
	Announcers	270	\$6.83	\$6.57	\$5.99
	News Analysts, Reporters and Correspondents	120	\$10.68	\$9.77	\$7.03
	Public Relations Specialists	50	\$15.47	\$14.73	\$10.73
27-3041	Editors	70	\$15.91	\$13.80	\$12.51
29-0000	Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	7,530	\$16.36	\$14.45	\$9.62
	Pharmacists	210	\$28.27	\$29.22	\$19.94
	Registered Nurses	2,980	\$16.99	\$16.76	\$12.98
	Occupational Therapists	100	\$25.91	\$25.38	\$21.83
	Physical Therapists Page 2 time 1 Therapists	240 40	\$26.83	\$26.82	\$20.68
	Recreational Therapists Respiratory Therapists	200	\$12.22 \$15.42	\$11.08 \$15.57	\$9.41 \$13.07
	Veterinarians	180	\$26.39	\$20.13	\$15.80
	Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologists	200	\$14.87	\$14.87	\$10.89
	Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians	200	\$12.65	\$12.23	\$9.79
29-2032	Diagnostic Medical Sonographers	70	\$20.68	\$19.60	\$15.80
	Radiologic Technologists and Technicians	250	\$14.43	\$14.50	\$11.67
	Pharmacy Technicians	70	\$8.71	\$8.33	\$6.74
	Respiratory Therapy Technicians	140	\$11.44	\$12.36	\$9.33
	Surgical Technologists	100	\$10.48	\$10.67	\$7.78
	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses Medical Records and Health Information Technicians	1,310	\$11.96	\$11.50	\$9.42 \$7.75
	Opticians, Dispensing	140 130	\$10.57 \$9.37	\$9.92 \$9.39	\$7.75 \$7.73
	Occupational Health and Safety Specialists and Technicians	10	\$18.54	\$19.47	\$15.46
31-0000	Healthcare Support Occupations	3,210	\$8.60	\$7.96	\$6.38
	Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	2,020	\$7.31	\$7.26	\$6.16
31-2011	Occupational Therapist Assistants	50	\$21.43	\$17.79	\$11.20
	Physical Therapist Assistants	120	\$18.72	\$17.20	\$15.33
	Physical Therapist Aides	70	\$8.08	\$8.15	\$6.38
31-9094	Medical Transcriptionists	130	\$9.49	\$9.67	\$8.23
	Protective Service Occupations	4,670	\$11.88	\$11.17	\$8.27
	1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Police and Detectives	190	\$14.92	\$14.02	\$9.73
	1st Line Supervisors/Managers, Protective Service Workers, All Other	30	\$12.54	\$10.86	\$9.19
	Fire Inspectors and Investigators	10	\$14.37	\$14.45	\$11.87
33-3011		40 1.660	\$13.48 \$0.87	\$7.90 \$0.03	\$6.35 \$8.20
	Correctional Officers and Jailers Detectives and Criminal Investigators	1,660 150	\$9.87 \$15.24	\$9.93 \$15.28	\$8.29 \$12.18
	Fish and Game Wardens	40	\$15.2 4 \$16.70	\$15.28 \$16.49	\$12.16 \$12.61
	Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers	1,360	\$10.70	\$10.49 \$12.09	\$9.85
	Transit and Railroad Police	20	\$17.53	\$16.82	\$15.74
	Security Guards	220	\$10.71	\$9.48	\$6.79
	Crossing Guards	60	\$8.20	\$6.39	\$5.97
	Protective Service Workers, All Other	60	\$10.18	\$9.59	\$5.97

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25 0000	Food Proparation and Carving Related Occupations	4.070	¢c 04	CC 4C	\$5.00
	Food Preparation and Serving-Related Occupations 1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Food Preparation and Serving Workers	4,070 200	\$6.81 \$9.89	\$6.46 \$10.04	\$5.99 \$7.94
	Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria	1,620	\$7.03	\$6.79	\$6.00
	Cooks, Short Order	70	\$7.46	\$7.37	\$6.21
	Food Preparation Workers	470	\$6.31	\$6.33	\$5.97
35-3031	Waiters and Waitresses	420	\$6.20	\$6.00	\$5.98
	Dining Room and Cafeteria Attendants and Bartender Helpers	30	\$7.00	\$6.83	\$6.00
35-9021	Dishwashers	170	\$7.07	\$7.32	\$5.97
37-0000	Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	4,100	\$7.97	\$7.51	\$6.08
	1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Housekeeping and Janitorial Workers	100	\$10.93	\$10.08	\$8.32
	1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Landscaping, Lawn Service, and Groundskeeping Workers	60	\$11.40	\$11.58	\$9.90
	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	1,890	\$7.70	\$7.35	\$6.08 \$5.00
	Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	1,080 770	\$6.47 \$9.18	\$6.34 \$8.56	\$5.99 \$7.40
	Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers All Other Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Workers	160	\$9.16 \$10.30	\$8.56 \$10.16	\$7.40 \$7.90
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	Personal Care and Service Occupations	1,440	\$8.26	\$8.32	\$6.59
	1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Personal Service Workers	30	\$16.59	\$16.92	\$12.82
	Amusement and Recreation Attendants	110	\$8.28	\$6.76	\$5.97
	Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists	50 30	\$8.87	\$8.62	\$7.30
	Tour Guides and Escorts Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors	30 80	\$9.53 \$9.37	\$7.92 \$8.15	\$6.88 \$6.03
	Personal Care and Service Workers, All Other	260	\$9.37 \$7.71	\$7.28	\$5.97
44 0000	Calca and Deleted Occupations	7.740	CO 04	CO.04	
	Sales and Related Occupations 1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Retail Sales Workers	7,740 700	\$9.91 \$12.81	\$8.84 \$12.02	\$6.27 \$8.81
	1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Non-Retail Sales Workers	150	\$12.01 \$17.94	\$12.02 \$16.72	\$10.07
	Cashiers	2,280	\$7.32	\$6.88	\$5.97
	Retail Salespersons	2,750	\$9.11	\$7.26	\$5.97
	Advertising Sales Agents	120	\$12.18	\$11.68	\$7.56
	Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific	500	\$18.33	\$14.65	\$9.95
	Sales Engineers	80	\$28.22	\$29.82	\$20.94
41-9099	Sales and Related Workers, All Other	510	\$11.42	\$11.84	\$6.02
43-0000	Office and Administrative Support Occupations	20,180	\$10.56	\$9.70	\$6.96
43-1011	1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Office and Administrative Support Workers	1,570	\$15.51	\$14.50	\$9.69
	Switchboard Operators, Including Answering Service	290	\$8.45	\$8.08	\$6.30
	Bill and Account Collectors	330	\$10.14	\$9.38	\$7.86
	Billing and Posting Clerks and Machine Operators	380	\$10.40	\$10.06	\$7.81
	Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	1,940	\$11.05	\$10.75	\$7.83
	Payroll and Timekeeping Clerks Court, Municipal, and License Clerks	260	\$12.55 \$12.42	\$12.14	\$9.16
	Customer Service Representatives	310 1,300	\$12.13 \$11.55	\$11.34 \$10.81	\$7.69 \$7.90
	Eligibility Interviewers, Government Programs	40	\$11.82	\$11.11	\$9.64
	Hotel, Motel, and Resort Desk Clerks	350	\$7.17	\$7.30	\$6.11
	Library Assistants, Clerical	150	\$7.33	\$6.70	\$6.00
	Order Clerks	290	\$10.63	\$11.33	\$7.08
43-4161	Human Resources Assistants, Except Payroll and Timekeeping	180	\$12.07	\$11.51	\$8.64
43-4171	Receptionists and Information Clerks	380	\$8.67	\$8.56	\$6.88
	All Other Financial, Information, and Record Clerks	110	\$9.33	\$8.03	\$6.01
	Police, Fire, and Ambulance Dispatchers	240	\$8.55	\$8.25	\$7.13
	Postal Service Clerks	120	\$18.85	\$19.12	\$16.36
	Postal Service Mail Carriers	600	\$17.47	\$17.59	\$12.53
	Postal Service Mail Sorters, Processors, and Processing Machine Operators	40	\$11.67	\$11.22	\$8.31
	Production, Planning, and Expediting Clerks Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks	340 860	\$16.11 \$11.05	\$14.87 \$10.62	\$11.26 \$7.83
	Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	1,290	\$11.05 \$8.41	\$10.62 \$7.87	\$6.20
	Executive Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	1,110	\$12.90	\$12.83	\$9.33
	Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	2,250	\$9.46	\$9.07	\$6.86
	Computer Operators	230	\$12.85	\$12.44	\$6.88
	Data Entry Keyers	100	\$9.23	\$9.03	\$7.51
	Desktop Publishers	60	\$11.03	\$10.39	\$7.41
43-9051	Mail Clerks and Mail Machine Operators, Except Postal Service	10	\$9.21	\$9.59	\$7.28
43-9061	Office Clerks, General	1,830	\$9.00	\$8.51	\$6.76
45-2011	Agricultural Inspectors	20	\$15.34	\$14.52	\$12.04

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47-0000	Construction and Extraction Occupations	7,700	\$13.60	\$12.94	\$8.98
	1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers	1,010	\$18.48	\$12.94 \$18.47	\$13.02
	Carpenters	460	\$13.02	\$12.52	\$9.90
	Cement Masons and Concrete Finishers	160	\$13.16	\$13.10	\$11.29
	Construction Laborers	560	\$10.49	\$10.12	\$8.39
47-2073	Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators	900	\$11.32	\$10.31	\$7.81
47-2111	Electricians	500	\$16.87	\$15.87	\$13.23
	Painters, Construction and Maintenance	200	\$11.90	\$11.12	\$8.71
	Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters	500	\$16.23	\$14.66	\$10.36
	Sheet Metal Workers	410	\$11.38	\$11.84	\$7.92
	Structural Iron and Steel Workers	100	\$11.94	\$10.89	\$8.28
	Construction and Building Inspectors	50 320	\$15.20 \$8.37	\$14.77 \$8.54	\$10.28 \$6.11
47-4051	Highway Maintenance Workers	320	φο.37	φο.54	φ0.11
49-0000	Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	9,390	\$14.07	\$13.24	\$8.63
	1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers	460	\$19.23	\$19.31	\$12.47
49-2094	Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment	110	\$16.28	\$16.12	\$13.98
	Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics	2,750	\$13.12	\$14.05	\$9.40
49-3031	Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists	180	\$12.61	\$12.46	\$9.37
	Farm Equipment Mechanics	240	\$11.75	\$11.98	\$9.14
49-3053	Outdoor Power Equipment and Other Small Engine Mechanics	70	\$11.06	\$10.78	\$7.93
	Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	70	\$13.16	\$11.71	\$8.97
	Home Appliance Repairers	80	\$9.04	\$9.19	\$6.74
	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	900	\$14.11	\$13.45	\$11.55
	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	2,720	\$12.84	\$11.68	\$8.26
	Maintenance Workers, Machinery	370	\$20.17	\$22.75	\$12.96
	HelpersInstallation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers	170	\$9.02	\$8.10	\$6.40
	Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers, All Other	100	\$13.25	\$10.95	\$7.93
	Production Occupations	43,600	\$11.87	\$11.61	\$8.44
	1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Production and Operating Workers	1,980	\$17.56	\$16.75	\$11.86
	Structural Metal Fabricators and Fitters	200	\$12.44	\$12.49 \$44.40	\$9.98
	Team Assemblers Cutting Punching and Press Mechine Setters Operators and Tenders Metal and Pleaties	11,420	\$11.05	\$11.42	\$8.56
	Cutting, Punching, and Press Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic Machinists	800	\$9.87	\$9.21	\$7.75
	Molding, Coremaking, and Casting Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, M/P	1,200 560	\$14.38 \$10.60	\$13.64 \$10.21	\$10.70 \$9.58
	Tool and Die Makers	990	\$10.00	\$20.43	\$13.56
	Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	800	\$11.33	\$10.90	\$8.50
	Metal Workers and Plastic Workers, All Other	120	\$12.73	\$12.68	\$12.19
	Printing Machine Operators	160	\$10.73	\$10.60	\$7.76
	Textile Cutting Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	30	\$9.50	\$9.71	\$8.90
	Fabric and Apparel Patternmakers	30	\$8.79	\$9.36	\$5.97
51-8012	Power Distributors and Dispatchers	190	\$21.59	\$21.35	\$19.36
51-8021	Stationary Engineers and Boiler Operators	40	\$14.72	\$15.75	\$8.45
51-8031	Water and Liquid Waste Treatment Plant and System Operators	280	\$13.95	\$13.11	\$11.28
51-9023	Mixing and Blending Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	50	\$11.30	\$12.07	\$9.18
	Furnace, Kiln, Oven, Drier, and Kettle Operators and Tenders	40	\$10.45	\$10.27	\$8.68
	Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	1,750	\$12.16	\$11.80	\$8.20
	Packaging and Filling Machine Operators and Tenders	250	\$14.24	\$14.08	\$12.03
	HelpersProduction Workers	1,220	\$9.17	\$9.39	\$6.89 \$6.50
51-9199	Production Workers, All Other	770	\$8.27	\$7.96	\$6.50
53-0000	Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	12,000	\$10.21	\$9.14	\$6.53
53-1021	1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Helpers, Laborers, and Material Movers, Hand	60	\$13.61	\$13.62	\$9.94
53-1031	1st Line Supervisors/Managers of Transportation and Material-Moving Machine and Vehicle	100	\$20.70	\$22.84	\$13.95
	Bus Drivers, School	1,620	\$6.46	\$6.18	\$5.98
	Driver/Sales Workers	480	\$13.13	\$13.01	\$9.01
	Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	1,920	\$12.36	\$10.55	\$8.04
	Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	690	\$12.48	\$10.41	\$8.07
	Taxi Drivers and Chauffeurs	150	\$7.08	\$6.71	\$5.97
	Motor Vehicle Operators, All Other	50	\$13.12	\$12.83	\$12.44
	Traffic Technicians Transportation Workers, All Other	70	\$12.46	\$12.42	\$10.27
	Transportation Workers, All Other	80	\$8.20	\$7.83	\$5.96
	Crane and Tower Operators	30 1.420	\$14.31 \$12.46	\$14.51 \$11.00	\$11.08 \$8.87
	Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	1,420 2.160	\$12.46 \$8.40	\$11.99 \$7.60	\$8.87 \$5.99
	Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand Packers and Packagers, Hand	2,160 1,040	\$8.40 \$8.56	\$7.60 \$8.23	\$5.99 \$6.20
	Material Moving Workers, All Other	1,040 40	\$8.56 \$18.07	\$8.23 \$16.87	\$6.20 \$15.72
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